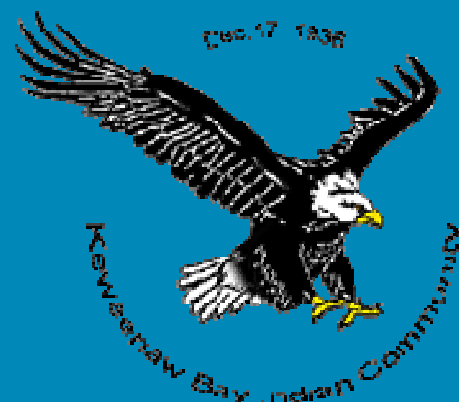


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DHHS Celebrates Nurse's Week and Announces DHHS First Superior Spirit Award Recipient



Deb Vizina, LPN at DHHS Medical Clinic, is the first KBIC Superior Spirit Award Recipient.

To the Nurses at the Tribal Health Clinic:

*They work tired or even sick
Because they know the job needs to be done
To me, they have become something more
than just nurses.
I see them everyday at the tribal clinic.
See, I have developed an infection
After my surgery
They have been with me every step of the way
Never wavering, never turning me away,
always accepting me
Day after day they welcome me with a smile
That makes all the difference to me.
They dress and pack my incision tenderly,
never hurting me
Talking to me the whole time,
to keep my mind off it
I feel sad about this, the invasion of my body
by this unknown enemy
That I have no control over, no power over
But the nurses keep my hope up and tell me
every day that it will get better
I wouldn't be healing this well without them.
I am thankful everyday that they are there,
not just for me, for the whole tribe
They treat everyone the same, with the same
gentleness, same competent hands
I see them as warrior women who protect
the tribe in their own right.
I will always be thankful for their presence
I will offer my tobacco in thanks for them.
To the nurses at the tribal clinic,
chi-miigwetch for all you do.*

~ Sally Brunk, March 2009

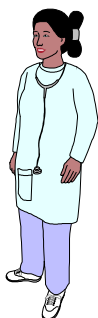
Carole LaPointe, KBIC's Health Director, states, "The purpose of the Superior Spirit Award is three-fold. We needed to recognize our employees and motivate our employees to do their best work while offering the best customer service possible when working for DHHS."

LaPointe continues, "I am pleased to announce our first KBIC Superior Spirit Award winner is Debbie Vizina, an LPN employed at the KBIC Medical Clinic. Debbie received two nominations from our Community. Deb is dedicated to serving the patient. She is friendly, caring, compassionate, extremely hard-working and thorough; she ROCKS! No matter how busy she is, she is always pleasant and willing to help any way she can."

Congratulations to Deb Vizina, and thank you for all that you do for our Community. Deb received a beaded lanyard for her ID badge, a month of parking in the specially designated parking spot for the award recipient, and her 8 x 10 photo will be on display in the medical clinic reception area.

The KBIC Department of Health and Human Services is pleased to recognize and honor their employees, volunteers, physicians, nurses and ancillary department staff who, personally and collectively, go above and beyond by showing respect, consideration, and compassion for others, thus serving as role models for all. Next time you visit the Donald A. LaPointe Medical Facility, please take a moment to recognize someone who treated you extra special. Nomination forms are available near conveniently located drop boxes throughout the facility.

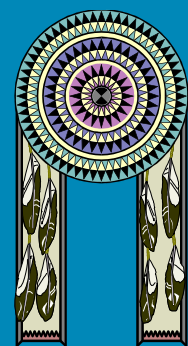
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Warren C. Swartz, Jr., President
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Toni Minton, Secretary
William E. Emery, Asst. Secretary
Jennifer Misegan, Treasurer
Elizabeth D. Mayo
Michael F. LaFornier, Sr.
Elizabeth (Chiz) Matthews
Jerry Lee Curtis
Frederick Dakota
Gary F. Loonsfoot, Sr.
Isabelle H. Welsh



SPECIAL POINTS OF INTEREST:

- **April 4, 2009, Tribal Council meeting**
- **Teaching Anishinaabe Language to Marquette Public School Children**
- **Dream Catcher Award Recipient Announced**
- **Early Birds Get the Worms at Sand Point Sloughs and Mud Lake**
- **May is Foster Care Month... You can make a difference**
- **Screening of "Older Than America"**
- **Ojibwa Housing Authority News**
- **Ojibwemowin**
- **Deepest Sympathy**

HEALTH DEPARTMENT PURCHASES SIGNS IN RESPECT OF KB ELDERS



The KBIC Tribal Health Department recently purchased signs to ensure our elder members are given easy barrier-free access to our buildings and to convey the message of respect for them in our community.

These signs are meant for elders with disabilities or who have walkers and other moving equipment such as oxygen. No elder should have to park below the parking lot grade and walk up to the building. The signs have been placed in the Health Department and Tribal Center parking lots.

April 4, 2009 — Tribal Council Meeting

The Tribal Council held their regularly scheduled Saturday Tribal Council meeting on April 4, 2009, at the Ojibwa Casino Resort Conference Room in Baraga, Michigan. Warren C. Swartz, Jr. presided over the meeting with Susan LaFerner, Toni Minton, William E. Emery, Jennifer Misegan, Jerry Lee Curtis, Fred Dakota, Michael F. LaFerner, Sr., Gary F. Loonsfoot, Sr., Elizabeth "Chiz" Matthews, Elizabeth D. Mayo, and Isabelle Helene Welsh present. President Swartz shared numerous *Thank You* and *For Your Information* items addressed to Council.

Warren "Chris" Swartz, Jr. gave the President's report for March 2009. After returning from the NCAI meeting held in Washington D.C. during the beginning of the month, President Swartz contacted John Tembruell regarding the Community's letter of support for the new hospital in L'Anse. While speaking with Mr. Tembruell, President Swartz spoke to him on the Community's concern regarding some information contained within the CARES brochure. Mr. Tembruell indicated that he would contact Carole LaPointe, Health Director, regarding our concerns within that brochure. President Swartz asked Mr. Tembruell to provide the Community with a letter of support regarding the expansion of the Donald A. LaPointe Health and Educational facility. The letter has been provided.

President Swartz participated in a conference call set up by Sault Ste. Marie Tribal Chairman Darwin (Joe) McCoy who invited other tribes to participate in a meeting to be held on Tuesday, April 14, 2009, with the White House Office of Intergovernmental Affairs. Three goals have been identified for the meeting - 1) Indian Health Care Improvement Act; 2) Organized Labor in Casinos; 3) Obama Administration appointments. Swartz contacted KBIC Health Director, Carole LaPointe, to prepare a one-page summary consisting of what we would like to do, what the concerns of the Community are, and what we'd like to see addressed. Swartz further indicated he has requested Ojibwa Community College President, Debra Parrish, to prepare a list of key points for him to present so that KBIC doesn't miss the opportunity to address some of the Community's ideas and goals with the College. President Swartz and Council member Jerry Lee Curtis, will be attending the April 14, 2009, meeting in Washington D.C. Another goal identified is to ask for an annual meeting of Tribal Leaders to meet with government representatives in Washington D.C. and not just as a one time event. We'd like to have the White House come to us, Michigan Tribes, for input about our concerns.

President Swartz has received notice from CITGO of the approval of the Community's grant application in the amount of \$79,500. These funds are to be used for home heating assistance for individual households who are members of the tribe, for non-profit government facilities, or social institutions such as fire halls, community buildings, schools, day care facilities, or clinics that serve members of the tribe and have been screened as qualified by the appropriate authority. President Swartz attended a meeting last Wednesday, with Jerry Santos, a representative of CITGO. President Swartz learned we can redistribute the money through guidelines that are set by the Community to help 250 households to all Keweenaw Bay Indian Community members who live anywhere within the continental 48 states. Approximately \$8,000 of the allocated money can be utilized to administrate the distribution of funds. We are eligible to apply for this funding next year as well.

President Swartz called the Department of Education regarding how the Tribe could pursue funding for the Head Start and Early Head Start directly from the Department of Education instead of through Michigan Inter-Tribal Council and was advised to watch for Federal announcements for direction on how to access this funding.

President Swartz participated in a conference call with the National Congress of America Indians where they discussed the economical stimulus package and different projects that would be eligible for stimulus money. Examples identified were hotels as long as they were not attached to a Casino and golf courses. We asked if we could use tax-exempt bonds for refinancing debt and for matching fund requirements. NCAI stated they would get back to those participating in the conference call with answers to the questions.

Susan LaFerner gave the Vice President's Report. "We all need to commit to do our part to make a difference to protect our environment and change the world. Information is available on the

EPA.gov and energy.gov websites." The 2009 NMU Indigenous Earth Issues Summit will be held on April 6th with presenters throughout the day and a featured speaker, Evon Peter, will present *An Arctic Perspective on the Eco-Challenges Facing Our Generation*. Chuck Brumleve, KBIC's Mining Specialist and Vice President Susan LaFerner will do a presentation during the afternoon on KBIC's challenges regarding proposed sulfide mining. Remember April 22nd is EARTH DAY! Spring cleanup is just around the corner, and our faithful volunteers will be once again cleaning our roadsides. Let's all do our part by keeping the roadside where we live free of litter all year. We are recruiting volunteers to join our Adopt-A-Road program and to clean our cemeteries in May. If you are able to help, please call Vice President Susan LaFerner (353-6623, ext. 4168).

On March 5th Council members, housing and court employees attended an informative luncheon with Mr. John Peterson, MSW, Senior Program Manager of Corporation for Supportive Housing. Supportive housing could be permanent, affordable housing linked to a range of comprehensive support services for persons who may be homeless, have an inability to get or maintain housing, low income, and/or face chronic health challenges/conditions. The services help people live more stable, productive lives. A growing number of communities around the country are implementing new strategies to stop "managing" and start ending homelessness. Supportive housing is a successful, cost-effective combination of affordable housing with services. A tour of supportive housing projects in Minnesota is scheduled for April 13-15.

Vice President LaFerner attended a meeting on the proposed wellness program with various department head and employees on March 13, where they discussed program components.

On March 19th, Council began reviewing KBIC's 30-page Comprehensive Plan document for accomplishments and revisions. After much discussion, only two or three pages were reviewed, and a subsequent meeting has been scheduled. After Council completes the review, it will be presented to department heads and the Community for input.

We have, as of yet, not been informed of the decision from the administrative hearing officer in our contested case hearing regarding the mining permits for the Yellow Dog Plains. Comments regarding the proposed Humboldt Mill permit were submitted on March 18th. Comments are being worked on for the proposed exploratory permits for the Ottawa National Forest. Please continue to call and write elected officials and inform them that the short term benefits are not worth the harmful long term effects on our health, river, Great Lakes, and wild places because of the great potential for acid mine drainage.

Toni Minton presented the Secretary's Report for March. During the month of March 2009, the Tribal Council had one regular meeting and six special meetings. The regular Tribal Council meeting was held on March 7, 2009, and is reported in the April 2009 Tribal Newsletter. The following actions occurred during the special meeting held on March 2, 2009: approved the meeting minutes of March 16, 2006; held a grievance hearing (case #003-09); granted three days of funeral leave to the employee in grievance case #003-09 and returned the annual leave used; approved Resolution KB1653-2009 Tribal Transit Program grant application; agreed to move forward with the Tribal Center flood repair and have Tribal Construction do the work; reviewed Tribal Finances with Chief Financial Officer Francis LaPointe; approved the Drug Task Force budget; approved the services agreement with Lowell Larson, Jr. for Gang Resistance Education at the Baraga Elementary School; approved the Employee Assistance contract renewal with North Star Employee Assistance and Life Counseling Center; agreed to post the Summer Youth Coordinator position; agreed to participate in the Michigan Tribal Wide Wage Survey conducted by the Little Traverse Bay Band. The following actions occurred during the special meeting held on March 3, 2009: continued financial review; and approved the February 2009 donations totaling \$3887. The following actions occurred during the special meeting held on March 12, 2009: approved Resolution KB1651-2009 GLIFWC Agreement; approved Resolution KB1661-2009 Census Partner Proclamation; voted to offer the Language Coordinator Position to Gary Loonsfoot, Jr.; approved the renewal rates for Blue Cross Blue Shield effective

March 1st for the Enterprise contract and April 1st for the Government contract; agreed to keep the Blue Cross Blue Shield base rates the same as last year; approved an addition to the On Call Emergency Services; appointments to insert years of service accrual; approved the meeting minutes of March 24, 2006, and April 7, 2006; approved the 4D Pharmacy and Business Associate Agreement; agreed to open a separate ACH Debit account for the Pharmacy Agreement; approved the bid of Sanborn in the amount of \$24,600 for Orthophotography of the L'Anse Reservation with \$5600 of the funds coming out of the BIA 10% account; and approved a letter of support for the Baraga County Memorial Hospital. The following actions occurred during the special meeting held on March 19, 2009: approved a six-month extension of Expansion Option for Olympic Steel; approved the 2009 Commercial Fishing Licenses; approved a donation of \$100 to Doris Roberts for travel to her nephew's funeral; changed the disability policy to allow participants to change their distribution option twice per year; approved the contract with Dr. D'Agostino for New Day; and approved Resolutions KB1654-2009 Dan and Beth Conner Lease Modification, KB1655-2009 Melvin LaFerner, Sr. Residential Lease, KB1656-2009 Tribal Transportation Improvement Plan, KB1657-2009 Bridge Construction Co-Op, KB1658-2009 James Lahti Recreational Lease, KB1660-2009 MSUE Grant Application Support, KB1662-2009 Vicki Emery Residential Lease Modification, KB1663-2009 Colleen Morin Residential Lease, and KB1664-2009 Blue Misegan and Emily Emery Residential Lease. The following actions occurred during the special meeting held on March 20, 2009: Council met with the Ojibwa Housing Authority Board. The following actions occurred during the special meeting held on March 26, 2009: three grievance hearings; approved the purchase of tables/chairs for the Ojibwa Senior Citizens; approved moving expenses up to \$5000 for Psychologist Dr. Beaufat pending his contract approval; approved the purchase of a refrigerated truck from Frei Chevrolet for the Commodities Foods Program in the amount of \$57,209; approved a Letter of Credit for Tribal Construction for a dump truck purchase at auction; agreed to conditionally reinstate the employee in case #004-09 pending completion of EAP services and their recommendations; overturned the termination of the employee in case #005-09 and to reinstate the employee with back pay; and upheld the termination decision in case #006-09. The following actions occurred during the special meeting held on March 30, 2009: approved donations totaling \$9300; agreed to hire Jodene Rasanen as the Summer Youth Coordinator; approved Tribal member request KB09-09 in the amount of \$862.18 for an emergency waterline repair; agreed to have the Chair sign the CITGO donation contract; set the summer youth worker wages at \$7.40 per hour for all youth; approved the three Appellate Justices Contracts; added license inspections to the Special Projects Coordinator Position; approved the business license of Jeff Lamson for Studio 702; approved the big boat license name transfer of Dan Alexander to Dawn Alexander; and approved a \$300 donation for Tribal member request KB10-09 for car repair.

Jennifer Misegan presented the Treasurer's report for March. Council approved twelve donation requests for the month of March totaling \$9300: American Red Cross (annual contribution) for \$500, Girl Scout Troop #5400 for \$250, National Native Language Revitalization Summit for \$500, KBIC Headstart and Early Headstart (Annual Headstart Powwow) for \$1000, \$50 for the L'Anse High School Sophomore Class for their calendar, and the Baraga Lumberjack Days Committee for \$7000. Treasurer Misegan attended a presentation sponsored by the Baraga County Parent Group by facilitator Lt. Jeff Racine of UPSET (Upper Peninsula Substance Enforcement Team) on March 17th. Treasurer Misegan reported she spoke directly to Lt. Racine regarding the 2% requests, reminding him of the March 31st deadline. She invited him to address the Council not only for drug educational purchases but to report on how they have used the 2% funds in the past and what they could do with additional funding. They also spoke on having Lt. Racine present at a Community meeting. Misegan indicated she has contacted Vicki Dompier of the Drug Task Force Team and Chris Gerard, Weed and Seed Coordinator regarding the Community meeting.

Treasurer Misegan continues to work on a for-



Michigan Indian Elders Association Scholarship Program



MICHIGAN INDIAN ELDERS ASSOCIATION 2009 SCHOLARSHIP NOTICE

The Michigan Indian Elders Association (MIEA) is pleased to announce that it will make available a minimum of four (4) \$500 scholarships and one (1) \$1000 scholarship. The scholarships will be awarded to at least five qualified students with the \$1000 scholarship being awarded to the most qualified student as determined by committee review and lottery, if necessary. Each student must be currently enrolled in a course of study at, or have a letter of acceptance from, a public college, university or technical school and must meet the following qualifications.

QUALIFICATIONS – the student:

- Must be an enrolled member (*copy of tribal card*) or be a direct descendant of an enrolled member of one of the MIEA constituent Tribes/Bands (*must be verified in writing by your tribal Enrollment Department*).
- Must have successfully completed and passed all five General Education Development (G.E.D.) equivalency tests with a minimum score of 40 and an average score of 45 and must possess a G.E.D. certificate; or must have graduated from an accredited high school with a 3.00 grade point average; or if currently enrolled at a college, university or trade school, must have an accumulative grade point average of 3.00.
- Must, except for special and extenuating circumstances, attend college, university or trade school on a full-time basis.
- Must complete the provided application form and submit it with required supporting documentation and the mailing must be **RECEIVED BY THE COORDINATOR no later than June 22, 2009**. (PLEASE NOTE, incomplete or late applications will not be considered).

An application form can be obtained from the tribal education department or tribal senior office.

2009 KBIC FORESTRY SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATIONS AVAILABLE

The KBIC Education Department announces the availability of the 2009 KBIC Forestry Scholarship applications. The Keweenaw Bay Indian Community has a vital interest in the preservation of the land and forests on and near the reservation. The Tribal Council has approved two scholarships for college students pursuing Forestry degrees. The scholarship amount is \$2,500 twice a year for up to four years. Applicants must meet the following criteria:

- Enrolled Tribal member
- Resident of Michigan, Wisconsin or Minnesota
- Attending an accredited college/university in Michigan, Wisconsin, or Minnesota
- Enrolled as a full-time student
- Pursuing a Bachelor's degree in Forestry documented by their college

Eligible students must complete an application, submit an essay detailing their interest in their chosen field and submit a copy of their official transcripts (high school or college).

For more information and to request an application, contact Amy St. Arnold, Education Director at 906-353-6623, ext. 4117 or at amy@KBIC-nsn.gov. The application deadline is August 3, 2009 at 4 p.m.

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SUMMER COLLEGE INTERN PROGRAM

The Tribal Council has approved funding for a Summer College Intern Program. Five students will be placed with Tribal departments for 14 weeks this summer, working 32 hours per week @ \$8.91 per hour. Students must be KBIC members, attending college full-time during the 2008-09 academic year and continuing during the 2009-10 academic year, must have a minimum GPA of 2.00 and must provide proof of GPA, full-time status and college major. If the number of students applying is greater than the number of positions available, the highest GPA's will be used to determine placement.

To apply, please contact Pauline Spruce at the Personnel Office at the Tribal Center. Her phone number is 353-6623, ext. 4140. The deadline to apply is May 15, 2009, at 4 p.m. Students could begin work as early as May 26. Applications will be accepted after May 15 if all positions are not filled.

If you have any questions regarding the Summer College Intern Program, please contact Amy St. Arnold, Education Director, at 353-4117 or at amy@KBIC-nsn.gov



2009 ANN MISEGAN MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATIONS AVAILABLE

The KBIC Education Department announces the availability of the 2009 Ann Misenan Memorial Scholarship applications. The scholarship amount is \$1,000 twice a year for up to six years, and will be awarded to a new student each fall. Applicants must meet the following criteria:

- Enrolled Tribal member
- Attending an accredited college/university
- Enrolled as a full-time student
- Pursuing a degree in a Health Care field
- Resident of Baraga or Marquette County

Eligible students must complete an application, submit an essay detailing their interest in their chosen health field and submit a copy of their official transcripts (high school or college).

For more information and to request an application contact Amy St. Arnold, Education Director at 906-353-6623, ext. 4117 or at amy@KBIC-nsn.gov. The application deadline is August 3, 2009, at 4 p.m.



DRUG CONVICTION REPORT

In a continuous effort to reduce the illegal use of controlled substances in our community, the Drug Task Force has requested the publication of pertinent information regarding any convictions of the Controlled Substances section of the KBIC Tribal Code §3.1706. The Tribal Court has agreed to comply with the Drug Task Force's request and will publish a Drug Conviction Report on a routine basis.

Derek Gauthier, case #08-328, Controlled Substance (use) - 1st offense

Factual Basis: Defendant tested positive for marijuana and morphine.

Sentenced on 02/17/2009 to:

1. \$500 fine or 80 hours of community service.
2. 18-24 months standard drug and alcohol restricted probation with a \$10 monthly probation fee.
3. 180 days jail, serve 30 days with credit for 22 days served and 150 days suspended.
4. The Defendant is responsible for all lodging fees, medical costs, alcohol and drug testing fees.

5. The Defendant is subject to daily PBT's and random drug testing until the Probation Officer deems otherwise.
6. The Defendant is to apply to the TERO program and Michigan Works and provide the Probation Office with weekly proof of job search.

Angel Morseau, case #08-366, Controlled Substance (use) - 1st offense

Factual Basis: Defendant purchased and consumed Methamphetamine, Hydrocodone, and Cocaine. Defendant did not have a prescription for Hydrocodone.

Sentenced on 04/09/2009 to:

1. \$500 fine.
2. 90 days jail, 70 days suspended, credit for 20 days served in jail or on tether. Defendant is responsible for the lodging fees and tether fees, and associated costs while incarcerated.
3. 12 months alcohol and drug restricted probation with a \$10 monthly probation fee. Defendant is responsible for the costs associated with PBT's and drug testing [concurrent with 08-305].
4. Defendant is to obtain a substance abuse screening and is to follow the recommendations of that screening until successfully discharged.

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To be added to the mailing list or to correct your mailing address, contact the enrollment office at (906) 353-6623 ext. 4113.



mat for financial reporting to the Community and hopes to forward one to the Council soon. She has met with Gregg Nominelli regarding the Keweenaw Bay Tribal Development Corporation, and they have discussed the need to study models that are successful in Indian Country and to work towards implementing them here. Mr. Nominelli is working on a timeline and is bringing it forward to the Economic Development Committee.

Treasurer Misegan was a guest speaker at NMU's Tribal Law and Government Class on March 18. Misegan stated "It is encouraging to see KB members in their class. This year Ty Curtis and John Varline were students. The class is taught by a very talented instructor, Violet M. Friisvall Ayres."

Treasurer Misegan indicated she was subpoenaed to testify in Federal District Court on March 23rd in the Robert Genschow, Sr., case. Many other Tribal members and employees were required to testify in the trial as well.

On March 31st Treasurer Misegan attended a meeting in Watersmeet regarding inland spearing and the 1842 Treaty area. President Swartz had asked her to attend the meeting as he had received an e-mail regarding the meeting the afternoon prior and was unable to attend as he was out of town. It appeared from the e-mail that there was going to be negotiations with the State of Michigan regarding all the Tribes in the ceded territory. However, as it turned out, the meeting was like the other spring spearing meetings except it was attended by representatives from the Sokaogon Chippewa and Lac du Flambeau Tribes. Treasurer Misegan indicated she made it perfectly clear, "Keweenaw Bay Indian Community is not a party of any of the proposals that were being discussed and while we had limited involvement, we were not represented by anyone other than ourselves. KBIC will continue to assert authority over our home territory, and anyone coming into our home territory must get and receive our permission to hunt, fish, trap and gather, and be bound to our regulations." There was a good discussion among the Tribes in attendance and Jimmer Williams, LVD Chairman, asked if we would work on developing a Memorandum of Agreement among the Tribes regarding the home territory issues.

Larry Denomie gave the CEO report for March. Council has officially hired Gary Loonsfoot, Jr. to serve as the Language Program Coordinator. Gary had been serving as Interim Director. The program is progressing as planned and the level of commitment from participants remains high.

Our current Eagle Radio Interim General Manager has submitted his resignation for the post but will continue to serve in his former position. Council is reviewing options in filling the position and may make a selection prior to the end of April.

Council has approved funding for Orthrophotography to be conducted on the reservation and the Village of L'Anse area. Sandborn of Colorado Springs, CO, has been awarded the \$24,600 contract and will begin work within the next couple of weeks. Both L'Anse and Baraga Villages have provided \$2000 in support funds and will receive the information as well.

The Community received the renewal rates for the two Blue Cross Blue Shield plans offered to employees. The rates rose slightly less than expected but still caused a slight increase in employee contributions toward their plan. Plans and work continues on the Wellness Program for KBIC.

A Department Head meeting was held on March 25th. An Internet Addiction presentation was provided by Art Jodin of the Employee Assistance Program. This problem is cropping up more often recently, and it is interesting that excessive or compulsive computer use is now deemed to be an addiction. We discussed internal and external use of computers for personal use. Others topics discussed were training needs, updates on the Comprehensive plan process, policy updates and reminders, time and attendance issues, forming a government safety committee to work with Clayton Ekdahl and scheduling an employee recognition event.

KBIC is in the process of hiring a Psychologist. An interview has been conducted, and the individual has been offered the position. If the contract language is agreed upon, the individual will begin work on May 1st.

The Tribe's Summer Youth Employment Program will be under the direction of Jodene Rasanen who has served in that capacity for the past two years. The Tribe has set the wage for this year's youth at \$7.40 per hour which is considerably higher than years past. Due to the wage, there will be no years of service increments added.

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Debbie Parrish, Ojibwa Community College President, gave an update on Ojibwa College's Self Study Report process. Since April 2008, OCC has submitted the Preliminary Information form; reviewed and revised the first draft of the five accreditation criterion; completed the reply from the Preliminary Information form and the eligibility review; received notice the College passed the eligibility review; completed the SWOT Analysis (strengths, weaknesses, opportunities, and threats that employees determined the College faced); completed a draft of the Strategic Plan; reviewed the criterion; began compiling policies and other documents requested by the Higher Learning Commission; concluded a final revision of the criterion; continued research development; and completed the appendices to the final revision of the Self Study. OCC submitted the Self Study Report in March of 2009, and the Higher Learning Commission visit is scheduled for April 6-8, 2009. As the Self Study Report contains a lot of information, President Parrish previously provided all council members with a CD to review. The Self Study Report is 70 pages long with an additional 30 pages of appendices. These are the initial documents OCC needed to provide. There are an additional 20 documents in their resource room which includes learning objectives for each course and professional development plans for faculty and staff. Included in the Self Study Report is the history of the college, the history of tribe, how OCC holds the status to operate as an Institution of Higher Education, how the College publishes and makes available to students and the broader public a Statement of Mission adopted by its governing body. The College shows they have students in degree programs and that students have graduated from degree programs. The College has explained how the required learning outcome prepares graduates for their professional and civic lives. The College has engaged qualified academic personnel essential to certify curriculum instruction and academic programs. The College has demonstrated the ownership of or the responsibility for sharing access to, the learning resources and student support services necessary to facilitate the learning expected of its enrolled students. The faculty, staff and Board of Regents have evaluated the organization's recent history, past three years of budgeting, and compared budgeted income and expenses against actual income and expenses. OCC has represented evidence of ongoing funding that includes a realistic action plan for achieving full accreditation with the commission. The five criterion in this Self Study Report are: 1) mission integrity which is to provide post-secondary education rich in Ojibwa culture, tradition and beliefs that supports life-long learning; 2) preparing for the future by working on their strategic plan and how OCC will look at additional finances in the future; 3) student learning and effective teaching (OCC has to demonstrate the assessment of student learning); 4) acquisition, discovery and application acknowledge (professional development for their faculty, training for their staff and how more students have graduated); and 5) engagement in service (which has been done through surveys from their vocational education, entrepreneur courses, welding, excel, computers, woodshop, industrial manufacturing, and other programs offered). Also mentioned are student organizations, the transferring of credits to the other universities and how OCC is involved in the community. OCC President Parrish concluded, "We all have gratitude to the Tribal Council for funding us."

On another note, OCC President Parrish wished to congratulate Jessica Koski. Through the Ojibwa Community College she was able to complete an internship in Washington D.C. She then went to Michigan Tech where she took part in a program at George Washington University in Washington D.C. Jessica met a lot of good resource people there. She was chosen as the WINS Intern Student of the year. OCC is very proud of her, and she has recently been accepted at Yale for her Graduate work. Congratulations to Georgeina Earring who was selected as the Student of the Year for Keweenaw Bay Ojibwa College. She also won first place in Memoir Writing out of all the Tribal Colleges. OCC has just received word they will receive the \$55,000 equipment grant for the Woods Technology Program. OCC has finalized the \$250,000 Distance Student Education Grant. They will be setting up video conferencing this summer at different locations, so students may access courses without actually having to sit in the classroom; they will be able to take classes from other places on the reservation.

Council member Elizabeth "Popcorn" Mayo addressed the Council by reading a letter she prepared on community concerns regarding OHA's recent purchases of the BP gas station, carwash and Laundromat. In summary, Council member Mayo briefed that all three of these businesses were owned by Larry Denomie. Reasons of disagreeing with the purchase were indicated as a concern of the economic well being of our tribe, and of our future ability to provide benefits to our members. First of all, the Ojibwa Housing Authority is not a tribe. It is an organization established by tribal ordinance with a specific purpose. The Ojibwa Housing Authority was established on September 22, 1965, under Article Six of the Keweenaw Bay Indian Community's Constitution for the following purpose: Article II Purposes. The Authority shall be organized and operated for the purposes of 1) remedying unsafe and unsanitary housing commissions that are injurious to the public health, safety, and morals; 2) alleviating the acute shortage of decent, safe and sanitary dwellings for persons of low income; and 3) providing employment opportunities through the construction, reconstruction, improvement, extension, alteration, or repair and operation of low income dwellings. Council member Mayo stated, "I believe by purchasing and operating these businesses, the Ojibwa Housing Authority is acting outside of the scope of their intended purpose. Why is that a big deal? One of the reasons is the liability of the Ojibwa Housing Authority itself. By acting outside of the scope of their purpose, the Ojibwa Housing Authority is taking a legal risk. If they somehow cause harm to another person or entity, they can be sued. This can happen simply by doing business. For example, if the Ojibwa Housing Authority was to cause harm to another business, and that harm can be defined as lost business, that business could hold a liability claim against the Ojibwa Housing Authority because the Ojibwa Housing Authority was acting outside of their intended purpose. They are not supposed to be in the gasoline business, the laundry business or the carwash business. They have a specific purpose, and this is to provide safe, sanitary, low income housing on the Keweenaw Bay Indian Community Reservation. I can understand Ojibwa Housing Authority's Building Supply business and even the Ojibwa Builders, in spite of the direct competition with our own Tribal Construction. At least those are related in some way to the purpose of building homes for use on the reservation. I can not, for the life of me, understand how owning a gas station, a Laundromat and a carwash are going to provide safe, sanitary, affordable housing for members of the Keweenaw Bay Indian Community; especially when a gas station will be in direct competition with our Pines Convenience Center. We pay for emergency health care, home heating, senior stipends, the annual Christmas bonus, and the list goes on and on, all from the revenues we receive from our businesses. It makes absolutely no sense to me for the Tribal Council to condone this or even stand by and let it happen. Sure, these businesses might provide a few additional jobs in the community. The cause of those new jobs though may ultimately come from loss of revenue at our own gas station. I am calling on those of you on the Tribal Council who are not on the Ojibwa Housing Board, the Superior National Bank Board, or the Keweenaw Financial Corporation to take notice of this and join me to putting a stop to the Ojibwa Housing Authority's effort to take much needed revenue from the Tribal members we represent. I am actually surprised that our CFO has not advised the Council of the importance of this issue. Of course it should probably be noted that Hosh (Frances LaPointe, Jr.) sits on the Ojibwa Housing Board of Directors. Our Chief Executive Officer, Larry Denomie, who I am told was in jeopardy of default on his loans for these businesses through the Superior National Bank, could have provided some direction to the Tribal Council. Some of my questions to Larry would have been: If these businesses are an investment for the Tribe, why did you approach them? How much are you making on this deal? You are dealing with public dollars here; this is not some private transaction between two individual people. It would be interesting to see what was owed to the bank and what the final purchase price was. I understand that the Laundromat and the carwash were open for business yesterday. Has the Ojibwa Housing Authority applied for business licenses? Do they even think they have too? Under whose authority are they operating these businesses? The Tribe does have an ordinance that requires a business to have a business license.

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Early Birds Get the Worms at Sand Point Sloughs and Mud Lakes

Spring is in the air, and birds and people are returning from their winter retreats. Visit local area walking trails and view the beauty of Mother Nature as she wakes from slumber and blossoms into the lush greenery of summer. Sand Point Sloughs (located behind the Ojibwa Campground near the lakeshore) and Mud Lakes (at the intersection of Mission Road and Hwy 41) are two places that the KBIC Natural Resource Department maintains for wildlife and recreation.

Sand Point Sloughs

Take a walk along the nature trail and floating dock to view Hidden Lakes where wild rice grows annually, and a variety of waterfowl enjoy the bounty. There are eleven wood duck boxes distributed around three of six small lakes and ponds, some of which are used by breeding pairs of wood ducks annually. Approach quietly, bring binoculars, and you may be rewarded with viewing one of the most colorful ducks that call the U.P. their home. Several other waterfowl species spotted at Sand Point Sloughs during annual waterfowl surveys that you may be able to see include: Hooded Merganser, Goldeneye, Ringneck, Bufflehead, Mallard, and Canada Goose. Other birds to look for are Barred Owl (there was a nesting pair with three young last spring), and a wide variety of the vibrantly colored songbirds such as the Yellow Warbler, Common Yellowthroat, Black-throated Green Warbler, American Redstart and Indigo Bunting to name a few.

The Natural Resource Department will be erecting a variety of nesting boxes for blue birds, chickadees, kestrel, and butterflies on the walking trail. Local Cub Scouts and KBIC Natural Resource Department staff will build and place turtle platforms in April.

Miigwetch goes to the following volunteers for their assistance at Sand Point Sloughs: (William) Gene Emery for his time and effort to build wood duck boxes, chickadee, bluebird and kestrel houses; KBIC Tribal Youth who participated in the construction and painting of butterfly houses through KBIC partnership with the Cedar Tree Institute’s Wings and Seeds Initiative; and Beartown Firefighters along with Superior Watershed Partnership for Youth for removing downed trees from the trail.

Mud Lakes

Take walks on two nature trails at Mud Lakes. The newest trail was cleared last summer with the help of Superior Watershed Partnership Conservation Youth Crew. Thanks to these dedicated volunteers and KBIC NRD staff, this new trail includes a floating dock that leads to

“Pine Island” where you can observe the southern end of the largest of three lakes. The original trail leads to a floating dock and an observation tower that offers a bird’s-eye view of the north end of the largest lake and surrounding marsh.

From these vantage points, watch for more wood ducks (twelve wood duck boxes are established), other waterfowl, and a wide variety of birds. In addition to similar species listed for Sand Point, you may see Great Blue Heron, Sandhill Crane, Pied Billed Grebe, Tree Swallow, Kingfisher, or Bald Eagle. Areas along the hiking trails are excellent places to view up to eight of twelve species of frogs known to inhabit the U.P. As water temperatures increase, the evening sound of frogs and toads calling can reach an amazingly loud volume.

Plans for Mud Lakes include erecting various nest boxes and turtle platforms - so visit often and see the animals that take advantage of KBIC community hospitality!

Miigwetch for volunteer assistance from: Gene Emery for nest box construction, Superior Watershed Partnership Conservation Youth Crew for helping to clear the new hiking trail, and Baraga County Cub Scouts for assistance with building and placing turtle platforms.

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	Black-throated Green Warbler	majiitaagoozid
	Barred Owl	gookooko’oo
	Sandhill Crane	jijaag
	Ringneck Duck	dagwaagishiib
	Great Blue Heron	ajijiiaak
	Tree Swallow	zhaashaawanibiisii
	Indigo Bunting	ozhaawaashkobineshii
	Pied Billed Grebe	zhiigibiz
	Yellow Warbler	majiitaagoozid
	Canada Goose	nikaa
	Mallard	ininiishiib
	Hooded Merganser	anzig
	Kingfisher	ogiishkimanisii
	Common Yellow-throat	majiitaagoozid



Our Deepest Sympathy

Julie M. (Bennett) Downhill

March 18, 1929 — March 21, 2009

Julie M. (Bennett) Downhill, 80, went safely home to the Lord on Saturday, March 21, 2009. She was born on March 18, 1929, in Highland Park, Michigan, the daughter of Willis and Helen (Mayo) Farrish. She married Stanley Bennett on November 10, 1967, and they moved to Winston in 1978. He passed away in 1995. She later married Owen Downhill and moved to Roseburg. Julie was a member of the Rebekkah Lodge. She was also a member of the Dillard-Winston United Methodist Church and was a member of the Keweenaw Bay Indian Community. Julie was active in TOPS, the Winston Quilt Club, The Sassy Seniors Line Dance Group, the Umpqua Gem and Mineral Club and the Winston Seniors. Julie was a beautiful, giving and caring person who will be greatly missed. She is survived by her husband, Owen of Roseburg. She also leaves a son Bruce Bramlett; two daughters, Debbie Guererro and Janice Molinell; step-sons Dave, Ken and Mike Downhill and Wayne and Randy Bennett; ten grandchildren and 11 step-grandchildren; three great-grandchildren; and five step-great-grandchildren. Julie was preceded in death by two brothers Jack and Willis. Memorial services were held on Saturday, March 28, 2009, at the Dillard-Winston United Methodist Church in Oakland, Oregon. Arrangements were under the direction of Taylor’s Family Chapel.

Keweenaw Bay Ojibwa Community College

Summer 2009 Schedule of Courses
“Catch Your Dream Through A Superior Education”

Locations/ Contacts	Course Number and Name	Instructor	Day	Time	Location
Four Directions Center/Main Campus 111 Beartown Rd. Baraga, MI 49908 Library/ Science Center 409 Superior Baraga, MI 49908 KBOCC Annex 325 Superior Baraga, MI 49908 Main Phone Number (906) 353-4600 Admissions Information (906) 353-4604 Registration Information (906) 353-4605 or (906) 353-4602 or (906) 353-4628 Library Phone (906) 353-8163 Advising Advising Assignment (906) 353-4628 Early Childhood Education Mary DeLine 353-4608 Environmental Science Erin Cooney 353-8162 Liberal Studies Penny Olson 353-4609 Undeclared Cherie Dakota 353-4628 or Kristin Tepsa 353-4602	Science				
	BI204 Ornithology (4 credits) Required field trip 5/21-5/25. <i>Course Fee \$260</i> <i>Lab Science Elective, Class limited to six students</i> Meets 5/4/09-6/11/09	T. Marshall	Tues, Thurs	8:00am-11:50am	Rm 111
	BI211 Plant Taxonomy (4 credits) Requires field trip. <i>Lab Fee \$150</i> <i>Lab Science Elective</i>	C. Reschke	Tues, Thurs Wed	2:00pm-5:20pm 1:30pm-6:20pm	Science Lab
	ES242 Wetlands (4 credits) Requires field trip. <i>Lab Fee \$100</i> <i>Lab Science Elective</i>	E. Cooney	Tues,Wed (lecture) Thurs (lab)	9:00am-12:20pm 9:00am-1:50pm	Science Lab
	Early Childhood Education				
	CE101 Introduction to Early Childhood Education (3 credits)	M. DeLine	Mon, Wed	5:00pm-7:50pm	Rm 1 Lib/Sci Ctr
	CE276 ECE Practicum (4 credits)	M. DeLine	arranged	arranged	arranged
	English				
	EN105 Public Speaking (3 credits)	P. Olson	Tue, Thurs	10:00am-1:00pm	Rm 113
	EN250 Native American Images in Literature and Film (4 credits) <i>Humanities and Native Am. Awareness Elective</i>	P. Olson	Mon, Wed	4:30pm-8:20pm	Rm 113
	Mathematics				
	MA096 Basic Math (2 credits) Does Not Fulfill Math Requirement	F. Underdown	Mon, Wed	5:00pm-6:50pm	Rm 115
	Social Science				
	SO101 Introduction to Sociology (4 credits) <i>Social Science Elective</i> Class meets 6/8/09,7/29/09	F. Taddeucci	Mon, Wed	5:00pm-8:50pm	Rm 111
	Summer Session : May 11-July 3, 2009 except as otherwise noted on schedule Classes begin Monday, May 11				
	Registration is Open! Register NOW!				

Teaching Anishinaabe Language to Marquette Public School Children



NAS 488: Native American Service Learning Project class partnered with the Title VII Native American Education, Marquette Public School District, to enrich the Anishinaabe education of the children in the program by teaching them some Anishinaabe language. This language, originally spoken by many of the indigenous peoples of the Great Lakes, is today counted among the endangered Native American languages. The Native American Service Learning Project class students: Tracy Micheau, Kim Lamb, Roy Manty, Levi Tadgerson, and JD Lyons, were assisted by Assistant Professor Dr. Adriana Greci Green of NMU's Center for Native American Studies.

As most of the Anishinaabe people in this region do not speak the language, they felt strongly it should be introduced to the Anishinaabe children in the school system. The project was, thus, a small part in the language revitalization efforts that have occurred nationwide. Their method was to begin with teaching the children a core group of words, using illustrations, and then to reinforce learning through repetition, storytelling and a variety of games. They met twice with four different after school tutoring sessions for grade levels K-5. In the first session, they introduced the words, and the second session focused on the application and practice of the words. The students were very engaging and made encouraging progress. Hopefully this experience has helped them develop an appreciation for the language and a desire to learn more.

(Picture) NAS488 students and elementary students play a card game introducing the Anishinaabe language.



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To our future
Ph.D.
"Jessica Lynn
Koski"
Congrats on
your
acceptance to
YALE!

We're proud
of you!!!
Aunt Lauri &
Aunt Lisa



A LITTLE SPRING CLEANING...

On Friday April 10th, KBIC Youth had 14 kids out doing a little spring cleaning. The kids walked the length of the Mission Road in Baraga where they picked up all of the garbage that could be found. When the road was completed, the kids had gathered up 35 full bags of garbage.



"DREAM CATCHER" AWARD RECIPIENT ANNOUNCED

KBIC Even Start Family Literacy Program announced the selection of this year's recipients for the second annual "Dream Catcher Award" in celebration of the NAEYC National Week of the Young Child, April 19th -25th. Joyce Chosa, Education and Disabilities Coordinator of KBIC Head Start/Early Head Start was selected from an impressive group of nominees for this special honor.

The "Dream Catcher Award" recognizes the contributions of community individuals to the success of children through their efforts in the areas of early childhood education, social services, parenting or mentoring. Through this award, KBIC Even Start spotlights the people who make a positive difference in the lives of young children in our community.

In nominating Joyce for this honor, her program director, Terri Denomie, stresses the dedication Joyce provides to her work. "Joyce has been employed by the Inter-Tribal Council of MI for the past 11 years. She started as a substitute and then became an Early Head Start Teacher, and then went on to become the Education and Disabilities Coordinator. Joyce spends 70% of her day right in classrooms down on the floors working with the children. She is there with open arms to greet the children everyday. The rest of her day is spent going over paperwork from the 10 teachers she oversees. She is truly a good friend to every child who comes through the door. I'm sure every child feels special when they are with her because she has plenty of hugs for each and every one of them."

In addition to Joyce's dedication to children's success in early childhood education, Denomie notes how her efforts help to prepare children for later success in life. "Joyce knows how essential it is that children grow and thrive in a supportive, nurturing environment where they and their families have options and opportunities for optimal growth, development, and learning." She adds, "I'm proud to have Joyce as an employee of our Tribe's Early Head



Start & Head Start program. She is an asset to our Tribal Community when it comes to children; they are truly number one in her book. She makes sure that this program is the "BEST" for the children of our Community."

As the 2009 recipient of the "Dream Catcher" Award, Chosa was honored at a luncheon hosted by KBIC Even Start at its center on Thursday, April 23rd where she received her certificate and a handcrafted dream catcher. Other special nominees recognized at Thursday's gathering were also invited to attend the event as part of KBIC Even Start's weekly "Family Circle" gathering. Special recognition went to Bertha Rogers for her work with schools, families, and youth; Gloria Shalfoe for her example of life-long learning to all generations of her family; and Dawn Loonsfoot for the important part she plays in support of her family's educational goals. KBIC Even Start families were also honored for their commitment to family learning. To mark the occasion, a special "Dare to Dream" t-shirt was given to each KBIC Even Start child.

"We would like to thank the people who took the time to submit nominations for this year's award," states Gail Juntunen, Coordinator of KBIC Even Start Family Literacy Program. Nominations ranged from well-known community contributors to the deeply personal family members making a difference in the lives of children, grandchildren, and great-grandchildren. "Each nominee was a deserving individual, and we applaud their efforts, thanking them for all they do to enrich and support the lives of children in our community."

12 th ANNUAL CHILDREN'S POWWOW

**SPONSORED BY: KBIC
HEAD START/EARLY HEAD
START, KBIC, & ITC OF MI**

**DATE: MAY 9, 2009
GRAND ENTRY: 1:00 PM
GIVE AWAY: 3:30 PM
FEAST: 4:00 PM**

**LOCATION: NIIWIN AKEAA
CENTER, BARAGA, MI**



Home Town Drums: Woodlands, Four Thunders, and Summer Cloud

**Veteran Color Guard: Keweenaw Bay
Head Veteran: Eddy Edwards KBIC
Head Female Dancer: Jade Chaudier KBIC
Head Male Dancer: Robert Voakes KBIC**

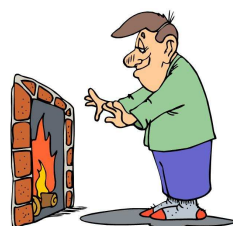
**MC: Tim Loonsfoot-KBIC
Arena Director: Jesse Forcia**

**For more information contact: Terri Denomie,
524-6626**

**KBIC/ITC will not be responsible for
accidents, lost or stolen items,
including children & spouses!
Unfortunately, only invited drums can
be paid an honorarium.
Absolutely no alcohol, drugs, or violence
will be tolerated.
This is a smoke free event.**



NOTICE



NEW PROGRAM – through a donation from the CITGO Citizen's Programs Corporation the Keweenaw Bay Indian Community is happy to announce the Tribal Supplemental Heating Assistance Program or T-SHAP. The T-SHAP'S maximum payment amount is \$250 and is based on LIHEAP income guidelines for enrolled KBIC tribal members. If you have exhausted your LIHEAP funding and need a little extra assistance for a disconnection - Please contact Debra L. Picciano at the Community Assistance Programs Office – at [906] 353-8137 – for an application or information.

Household Size	Annual Income
1	28,310
2	37,021
3	45,732
4	54,443
5	63,154
6	71,865

For families with 7 or more persons, in the home, income guidelines are determined by a formula.



Happy Mother's Day.

K.B.I.C. PRE PRIMARY PROGRAM BOOK DRIVE



*Through
the
Month
of May*



*Please call ahead to
reserve a time to read
to our children.*

Take part in this kick off!

**First, purchase a new book or gently used book
Next, Volunteer your time by reading the story
to our children
Then, leave the book to help expand our
children's "Love For Literacy" Library**



**We have a wish list Located at WWW.AMAZON.COM, type in K.B.I.C.
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F = FACE Ask the person to smile. Does one side of the face droop?
A = ARM Ask the person to raise both arms. Does one arm drift downward?
S = SPEECH Ask the person to repeat a simple phrase. Does the speech sound slurred or strange?
T = TIME If you observe any of these signs, it's time to call 9-1-1.



**MAY IS NATIONAL
STROKE
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STOP Stroke • Act F.A.S.T. • Spread HOPE

For more information or ideas for May awareness events, visit www.stroke.org/SAM.

Dare to Dream

**Earn your GED/High School Diploma
Early Childhood Programs for children**

**Improve parenting skills
Incentives for participation
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**Even Start is free to all Tribal
and Non-Tribal members with children
under the age of eight or
who are expecting**

Call 353-8161 to register

**KBIC EVEN START Family
Literacy Program
755 Michigan Avenue—Baraga, MI 49908**

The KBIC Pre-Primary Education Program will hold a Public Hearing on June 10, 2009, at 5:30 pm. This meeting will held in the Commons Area of the KBIC Youth Center. The meeting will provide Tribal Members and Baraga County residents an opportunity to comment on the services we provide, offer suggestions or improvement ideas.

Mother's Day Dinner

**Tuesday, May 12th
at 5:30 p.m.
Best Western Lakeside Inn**

**Ladies bring your mother,
daughter, sister, or friend to
join you for an evening of
education and fun. We'll be
taking pictures again this year.**

**Seating is Limited!
Register early by calling
Heather at 353-4546.**

Sponsored by KBIC Community Health

May is Foster Care Month...

You can make a difference in a child's life.

The Keweenaw Bay Indian Community currently has four tribally licensed foster homes and several unlicensed kinship/relative care homes. Children are placed in foster care when their parents neglect them, abuse them or are unable to ensure their well-being. We want to take this opportunity to thank the foster families and kinship/relative caregivers for opening their homes and hearts to children whose families are in crisis.

You can help our children and families in crisis...

- * Become a foster parent.
- * Become licensed to provide short-term ("respite") child care for a day or weekend for other foster parents.
- * Say thank you and support those families who are foster parents or kinship/relative caregivers.
- * Volunteer for youth activities, after-school programs, tutoring, mentoring, etc.
- * Donate money or goods, such as car seats, toys and games, sleeping bags and pillows, luggage, musical instruments, books or a computer.

To apply to become a foster parent, contact Judith Heath or Isabelle H. Welsh at 906-353-4201 for more information.



Another cause for concern is something that should have sent up a red flag is our Tribal Attorney, John Baker, who I often do not see eye to eye with, even advised us that the Ojibwa Housing Authority was acting outside of their scope of purpose. I made a motion at the March 20th Council meeting to have the Ojibwa Housing Authority Board stop the purchase of the BP gas station, carwash and the Laundromat per the Tribal Ordinance establishing the Ojibwa Housing Authority. My motion was defeated. Two of the three votes were cast by Councilman Loonsfoot and Councilman Emery, both Ojibwa Housing Authority Board members. Susan LaFerner recognized her conflict of interest, which is her position on the bank board and the Keweenaw Financial Corporation, and chose to abstain. The vote was three to three with three abstentions requiring Chairman Swartz to break the tie. Chairman Swartz voted against the motion. My intention today is to get the support of the Tribal Council and make a motion to deny the Ojibwa Housing Authority a business license to operate the Baraga BP, the Laundromat and the carwash. I want to remind everyone of you who may consider abstaining from voting without good reason, you're abstention could allow this nonsense to continue."

President Swartz declared the motion to be out of order because Council member Mayo is asking the Council to reconsider a question that has already been asked at the last meeting. Council member Elizabeth Mayo was on the losing side and has to be on the winning side to have a motion be reconsidered. Council member Mayo indicated that her motion is to deny a business license. President Swartz informed the Council there is no business application in front of them to be considered, so it is hard for the Council to act on something that hasn't even been applied for yet. Council member Mayo did remind Swartz, "You're up for election this year." President Swartz ended the discussion with "And if I am defeated for trying to provide employment opportunities for our Indian people I'll go down with that. I see the Tardy's, I see the Jim Emery's, I see the Uncle Roland's, I see these people who are working, and it's a good thing. If they wait on the Tribe, they'll be waiting for a long time for a job."

At this time the Chairman recognized Doreen Blaker (a former council member who was in the audience) who commented, "That ordinance is from 1965! I'm looking at an excerpt from Roger Boyd's testimony from HUD testifying before the Senate Select Committee on Indian Affairs on July 19, 2007. 'HUD's goal is to utilize CHS, Native American Programs for economical development and to contribute to building sustainable economies within the Tribal Community.' I think it is time to take that outdated ordinance and bring it into the 21st Century, and I strongly ask that you update that ordinance which is from 40 years ago. Times have changed; let's look at it that way. I sit down in that Tribal Court with people who do not have jobs, and the thought of these jobs coming through... I've had people asking for job references, they're trying for anything right now."

Council member Mayo stated, "We did receive stimulus money, and yes, housing does have jobs out there."

Ms. Blaker continued, "Competition... you're going to have competition anywhere. Business is business, whether it's from an individual, non-tribal member or a tribal business."

Council member Gary Loonsfoot, Sr., added, "I don't think its competition from us when it's going right back into the tribe. It would be competition if we had a non-native move in, like CITGO who has 75 gas stations and can lower their gas prices lower than our Pines and put us out of business. We are keeping them out of the area. Besides, according to Larry's figures, he only sold 200-300 gallons of gas to Tribal members. At 4% profit that's only twelve bucks a month. I'll pay that to the Tribe just to keep jobs in this Community."

The Chair recognized Council member Fred Dakota. "People are mentioning that there is no competition here just by selling to Indians. We are not competing for Indian business; we don't make money on Indian business. We make money on other business, and that gas station down there selling cigarettes and gas is our Christmas bonus money. We can not take it from the Casino. Come on you guys, you're elected by the Indian Community here, and no matter how you feel personally; this could have been bought on the Courthouse steps. I've got the figures. He purchased the carwash and Laundromat for \$173,000. I got this from the Courthouse. It is public records. Anyone could have gotten it. And the gas station he bought for

\$280,000. At the February 6th council meeting, Denomie offered these three businesses to the Tribe for \$1,025,000; which means he stands to profit \$572,000. Is this is a Denomie bailout?"

Treasurer Jennifer Misegan asked to be recognized, "I will be the first one to applaud the Housing Authority for everything that they have done. They are doing very good work. We all recognize that, but the scope of their authority is in the ordinance. I abstained because I don't know that there needs to be a motion made to follow a law. That is what an ordinance is, it's a law. We can discuss this. I don't know why you're getting upset."

President Swartz replied, "Everyone had this opportunity at the last meeting and chose to do it now. If every time you want to discuss it, are you going to put it on the agenda and say this is what we want to do?"

Council member Mayo stated, "I brought it up."

Treasurer Misegan indicated, "I didn't know that after that meeting, because the motion was defeated, they were going to move forward because we talked about the scope of the authority within the ordinance."

Gary Loonsfoot, Sr. continued, "We have businesses that are opened up today."

Council member Mayo stated, "And you don't have a business license."

Council member Loonsfoot replied, "We'll get one. We'll apply for one. There is nothing wrong with offering bonuses to your employees. You get more work, you get better work, people show up more often, and you know what, they're happy. Maybe you should take a look at your own employees; maybe that is why they're not happy. There is nothing wrong with offering jobs. I was elected because I said we would offer jobs. I would work to get things going. That is what I am doing. If you're going to get rid of me for economical development jobs, then do it."

Council member Mayo stated, "It's pretty funny that you feel that way..."

Council member Loonsfoot replied, "It is pretty funny that you have not done anything in two years with no new jobs in this Community. There is now."

Council member Mayo asked, "What have you done?"

Council member Loonsfoot, "We have done a lot."

President Swartz brought order to the meeting.

Treasurer Misegan wished to add a specific comment as Mayo had brought up the fact that the CFO was involved, "He sits on the board, and you're questioning was what his involvement was. He specifically told you why he wasn't involved in it from the Housing Authority's stand point. He was not involved with this decision as soon as it came up. He told you himself that he stopped going to the Housing Authority's Board meetings because he recognized the conflict. Was he involved with this decision, Gary?"

Council member Loonsfoot stated, "No he wasn't. He missed six meetings, and there were other issues at those meetings, but he didn't show up for any of those meetings because of that."

The Chair recognized Larry Denomie. "I've tried to maintain the down the road in this situation. Obviously I work for this body, I'm the person selling the businesses. I provided the information based on what I was asking for those properties. If you weren't provided with that, that is not my fault. You have someone working for you who needs to explain to you how those numbers came about. There were a number of improvements in those businesses, many of improvements that cost a lot of dollars, hundreds of thousands of dollars. So to sit here and say that I stand to make, whatever, five – six – seven hundred thousand of dollars; that's just crazy. I'm not. I wouldn't do that. You have a piece of information; you don't have the whole picture Fred."

The Chair recognized Debbie Parrish. "Housing, yes, it's under the Ordinance to do that. I think Housing should also take a closer look at the houses they currently have. I know of people living in these houses that still need repair work. Plexi glass is not an energy efficient window; they raise the heating costs for these seniors and other people, for everybody. Things have to be thought of for the people who are in their current houses now. They are in need of repair. Yes, you did a good job with the roofing and the siding, but people have home inspections all of the time, and when they voice these concerns, these houses have been this way for years. If you are going to be going into businesses, I hope you remember that these homes are in great need of repair."

President Swartz answered, "Yes, we are aware

of the houses that are in need of repair, and we've received some stimulus funding to help address those issues, I believe it was over half-a-million dollars."

Eddy Edward, Ojibwa Housing Authority's Director, informed President Swartz, "It was \$654,000."

President Swartz added, "If you look in the L'Anse Sentinel, you'll see that there are some jobs that are available at housing for renovation of the homes. That is a direct result of the economical stimulus and that is what that money is for, to help improve those houses."

Eddy Edwards, Housing Director stated, "Which is quite odd as a fact that it spurs us to do because there is unmet needs. There is a ton of unmet needs and those unmet needs require money to hire people, to get the materials, and that's really what's pushed this Board to expand and to take HUD's advice and training. Since day one, HUD's been training me to leverage those federal financial resources, to create jobs, to create businesses, to create employment opportunities for the purpose of housing development, to fix up these homes. We're building nice super insulated homes. HUD has recognized that. We are taking thermal imagining cameras and doing testing on as many of our homes, that we can, to identify deficiencies. We are taking aggressive stances towards that. This gas station, carwash and Laundromat are a part of that. It creates employment opportunities, but it also creates vital revenue to address these 248 homes that the Tribe owns, and that Tribal members live in. We recognize \$300 heating bills are unacceptable and that we need to make those homes tighter because they weren't built as energy efficient. In the 70's, there wasn't a big push on that, so we are doing that, and we do take it seriously. The last couple of years OHA has operated the Ojibwa Builders and the Ojibwa Building Supply. Both of those businesses have been profitable. We have given bonuses to some of those employees. All of the Tribal member employees have gotten bonuses based on the profits. So it is encouraging them, empowering them to do the best job they can. That's just a part of the cost of doing business. We've taken the money and started paying OHA back, and we've put some into new programs. Two programs in particular is the Individual Development Account Program which is set up with six particular asset goals to increase the self efficiency of our low income families. We help them with home repair, credit repair, education, business start up and expansion, vehicle purchase so they can get to their job, and home ownership down payment fund. We put money into that program, so we can help Tribal members do all those things as all of those things are important to increase their self sufficiency to take care of their own business. We also put money in our prescription subsidy program where we are reimbursing elders and disabled households for their personal costs and helping them with some of those expenses." Eddy Edward's comments ended with applause from the audience.

Evelyn Ravindran, on behalf of the KBIC Parks and Recreation Committee, presented the Committee's Bylaws. Consensus of the Council was to review it and then proceed with action at the April 17th meeting. Evelyn Ravindran presented Resolution KB1665-2009 (KBIC Tribal Council formally recognizes the Parks and Recreation Committee to advance recreational opportunities for the Community). **Motion by Gary Loonsfoot, Sr. to postpone Resolution KB1665-2009 for discussion at the April 17th meeting, supported by Susan LaFerner, eleven supported, 0 opposed, 0 abstained, motion carried.**

Gregg Nominelli, Economic Developer, presented Resolution KB1666-2009 as the Tribal Council of the Keweenaw Bay Indian Community formally authorizes and approves the submission of an application for grant funding under Funding Opportunity Number DE-PS36-09G099024 from the U.S. Department of Energy for a wind monitoring project on Trust Land within Sections 28, 29, and 30 of Range 33 West, Township 51 North of Baraga County, Michigan, and authorizes the President to negotiate and sign the program agreement and other documents on behalf of the Keweenaw Bay Indian Community. In summary, the Keweenaw Bay Indian Community commits in-kind time, labor, land and resources up to a maximum of \$31,167 towards the funding request. Applying for the grant stems from the work of the Committee on Alternative and Renewable Energy who have prepared a strategic plan which includes having wind energy for the benefit of our Tribal businesses and the Industrial Park. We are working not only to use


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the wind power at facilities such as the Casino and the cluster of surrounding buildings (Tribal Center, Community College, Bingo Hall, Four Seasons), but we also want to create manufacturing opportunities. We can make any of the parts for these wind turbines. A Resolution is needed for the grant opportunity through the Department of Energy, and there is no matching funds required although we would be given some in-kind contributions (use of our land to put up a wind monitoring tower to measure the wind speeds here, the Natural Resource's Department would put in some time to see that the environment is protected, the Economic Office personnel would work with the grant application and administration, and also the Committee of Renewal Energy would be working on it). The tower will stand a couple hundred of feet and will monitor the wind at 40 meters, 50 meters, and 60 meters to see what the best level for wind speed is. They will also do some financial measures for us to see if it is even feasible that we can save money by putting up wind power. We are making no commitment, we are just studying it for a minimal of a one-year time period, and there is no cost to us. We are looking at setting the tower up in the Industrial Park. **Motion by William "Gene" Emery to approve Resolution KB1666-2009, supported by Susan LaFerner, eleven supported, 0 opposed, 0 abstained, motion carried.**

Gary Loonsfoot, Sr. introduced the following proposed amendment to Housing Ordinance 2009-02 to the Tribal Ordinance Housing and conducted the First Reading. Article II. Purposes. The Authority shall be organized and operated for the purposes of: 1) Remediating unsafe and unsanitary housing conditions that are injurious to the public health, safety and morals; 2) Alleviating the acute shortage of decent, safe and sanitary dwellings for persons of low income; and 3) Providing employment opportunities on the reservation through the construction, reconstruction, improvement, extension, alternation or repair and operation of low-rent income dwellings and other economic and community development activities. **Motion by Gary Loonsfoot, Sr. to introduce the proposed amendment to Housing Ordinance 2009-02, Tribal Ordinance Housing and to considered this the first reading, supported by Jerry Lee Curtis, nine supported (S. LaFerner, M. LaFerner, Minton, Emery, Misegan, Curtis, Loonsfoot, Matthews, Welsh), two opposed (Mayo, Dakota), 0 abstained, motion carried.** The second reading will be held within thirty days.

Council scheduled a grievance hearing for case #008-09 for April 17th; passed Department Head Reports for February 2009; and Meeting Minutes for April 15, 2006, April 18, 2006, and November 24, 2008. Council entered into closed session with Gregg Nominelli, Economic Developer (for Feasibility Study Contract approval), Carole LaPointe, Health Director and Attorney Christoph Geiger (for UPHG Agreements) CEO, Larry Denomie (for Sanborn Map Company Inc. Agreement), Attorney John Baker, and President Warren "Chris" Swartz, Jr. on the agenda. Earlier in the meeting, Council had entered closed session for a brief period with Derek "Deve" Sever on the agenda.

After closed session, Council approved the Services Agreement with Sanborn Map Company for Orthophotography services, approved the Letter of Agreement for the Upper Peninsula Health Group and approved the Consultant Agreement with Strategic Solutions for a feasibility study.



TREE AND SHRUB GIVE AWAY


8th Annual tree and shrub give away for Tribal members sponsored by the Keweenaw Bay Indian Community Natural Resources Committee. The giveaway will be held at the Keweenaw Bay Indian Community Natural Resources Department in Pequaming on Saturday, May 9th, 2009 from 10:00 am – 12:00 pm. No early birds, must be present, limit two per person. Species available are black cherry, sugar maple, red osier dogwood, riverbank grape, Native American plum, common purple and white lilac, red and white rugosa rose, blueberry (patriot and north-land), heritage raspberry, apple trees (Jonathon, Jonamac, Lodi, Macoun), and Black Gold Cherry. There will be a drawing for animal houses, and there will be seeds and some vegetable plants for giveaway. For questions please call Hope at 353-6623 ext. 4176 or Evelyn at 524-5757 ext. 11.

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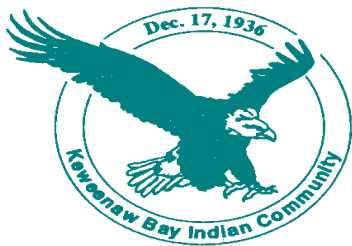
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Keweenaw Bay Ojibwa Housing Authority

Mission: To provide affordable and attractive housing opportunities in a safe and healthy environment to qualifying tribal members of the Keweenaw Bay Indian Community, encourage self-improvement of the community's low income families and provide employment opportunities.

Programs and Services provided by the KBOHA:

- Low income rental homes and apartments
 1. 158 Homes/apartments in Baraga
 2. 50 Homes in Zeba
 3. 40 Homes in Marquette/Harvey
- Supportive housing/transitional housing to help address family issues;
- New, custom built, super-insulated homes for homeownership on Beartown Road;
- Home buyer training to prepare members for home ownership;
- Financial literacy training to improve members' financial skills;
- Home maintenance training to improve members' ability to maintain homes;
- Home rehabilitation program to improve the condition of member-owned homes;
- Home emergency assistance program to remedy negative conditions in the home;
- Individual development account program – a 4:1 matched savings program for member goals that include:
 1. Down payment assistance for home purchase;
 2. College tuition and expenses for residents;
 3. Business expansion/start-up expenses;
 4. Home repair for member-owned homes;
 5. Credit repair for homeownership;
 6. Vehicle purchase for work/school.
- Low cost home improvement loan program for qualifying tribal members;
- Low cost tax preparation program for residents and tribal members;
- Surplus FEMA mobile home program for tribal members;
- Stipend program covering mileage and child care expenses for residents attending college;
- Affordable curbside trash service for residents and members;
- Prescription subsidy program to reimburse tribal elders and disabled households for prescriptions purchased;
- Ojibwa Building Supply Do It Best- providing tribal employment, quality affordable building supplies and profits for housing programs;
- Ojibwa Builders construction company- providing tribal employment, quality affordable construction, and profits for housing programs;
- Market rate rentals - five rental properties in Baraga and one in Negaunee- providing profits for housing programs.

Screening of "Older Than America"

On June 6th there will be a screening of Georgina Lightning's film "Older Than America" followed by a Q and A session from the director. This film is a drama about the boarding school era in Native American history. It stars Adam Beach, Wes Studi and Georgina Lightning.

Georgina is a native filmmaker and actress from Canada. Her latest film, "Older Than America", has just won its 18th award on the film festival circuit.

The screening will take place at Jamrich Hall in Marquette on the Campus of Northern Michigan University. The specific time is still being negotiated. There will also be a feast in honor of Georgina. Limited travel to and from the event is being planned. This event is currently being sponsored by: Keweenaw Bay Indian Community, Northern Michigan University's Center for Native American Studies, Michigan Tech's Native American Outreach Program, and the Ojibwa Community College.

If you are interested in attending please contact Gary Loonsfoot, Jr. at 353-4178. He needs an estimate of attendance.



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It's getting to be that time of year again and we would like to invite you to the 2nd Annual Drug Education For Youth (DEFY) Summer Camp. Last year we had 26 participants and we are looking to double in size this year. The 2009 Day Camp will be held at the Ojibwa Community College (OCC) and will run from June 15-19, from 8:30 am until 3:30 pm. The Youth Director, Tyler Larson and/or Weed and Seed Coordinator, Chris Gerard will be at the OCC from 7:30 am – 5:00 pm during the week of camp, so parents can drop their children off before work and pick them up after. The camp participants can play in the gym before and after camp.

The participants for this summer camp should be between the ages of 9-12 as these are the ages that the curriculum targets. A typical camp day will include; the classroom curriculum, group activities, and gym activities. The participants will also have the opportunity to observe a K-9 demonstration, shoot paintball guns (at stationary targets), swim, bowl, and learn about the function/operation of emergency vehicles such as the police car, fire

truck, and ambulance. The kids at last year's camp had a blast, and we hope you will come back to enjoy the experience.

The 2009 DEFY Summer Camp is designed to teach the kids many life skills that they can use now and during the rest of their life. There will be an introduction to DEFY along with topics on; self management skills, drug resistance & information skills, general social skills, and physical fitness skills. Camp participants will also receive a DEFY Camp T-shirt and lunch during the week. On Friday, June 19, camp will end at 10:30 am with a short graduation ceremony. If you would like to learn more about DEFY, you can check out the DEFY website at: <http://www.donhq.navy.mil/defy/> or Google Drug Education For Youth and click on the link.

DEFY Youth Applications are due on Wednesday, May 13, 2009. If you have any questions about the 2009 DEFY Summer Camp, feel free to contact Chris Gerard at (906) 353-4646 or email cgerard@kbic-nsn.gov. We look forward to seeing you at camp!!

Applications can be dropped off at the Weed & Seed office or the youth director's office. Both offices are located inside the Ojibwa Community College near the fitness center.

Attention:

ALL KBIC PARENTS and those with KBIC Children and Teens in their homes.

A Parental Awareness Seminar & Dinner will be held on Tuesday, May 12th from 6:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. at the Ojibwa Motel Conference Room

The Seminar is being held to promote awareness and provide education to our Tribal parents about issues that are negatively affecting our children and teens.

Dinner will be served at 6:00 p.m. Following dinner we will hear from the following speakers on the respective topics:

Drug awareness and warning signs for parents - Lt. Jeff Racine from Upper Peninsula Substance Enforcement Team.

Teen Dating Violence – Jackie Larsen, Victims of Crime Advocate for DIAL HELP.

Internet Safety – D/Sgt. David Hart, MSP Internet Crimes Against Children Task Force.

Drawings will be held for great family prizes!!

Space is limited. To register and reserve your seat please call 353-6623 ext. 4195

This event is being sponsored by: The Tribal Council, the Youth Committee, the Education Committee, Community Assistance Programs, Department of Social Services, Health Department, Weed & Seed, Drug Task Force, New Day Treatment Program & Tribal Court.

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The deadline to apply for a BIA Scholarship for the 2009-10 academic year is May 1, 2009.

Applicants must be enrolled KBIC members, residents of Michigan, attending a two or four yr. accredited Michigan college, pursuing a two or four yr. degree and must complete the FAFSA (Free Application for Federal Student Aid).

Applications are available from the Education Office, Keweenaw Bay Tribal Center, 16429 Bear Town Rd. Baraga, MI 49908.

For more information, please contact Amy St. Arnold, Education Director at 906-353-4117 or amy@KBIC-nsn.gov.

May 2009 Calendars Events

May 2 — Regular Saturday Tribal Council Meeting, 9:00 a.m., Chippewa Room; 2nd Reading of the Proposed Amendment to the Ojibwa Housing Ordinance 2009-02; OCC Honors/Commencement Ceremony; Traditional Arts Expo

May 3 — Traditional Arts Expo

May 6 — Ojibwe Language Table

May 9 — 8th Annual Tree and Shrub giveaway at KBNRD; 12th Annual Headstart Powwow, grand entry 1 pm

May 10 — Happy Mother's Day.

May 11 — OCC Summer Session begins. Enrollment is open.

May 12 — Parental Awareness Seminar and Dinner; DHHS Mother's Day Dinner

May 13 — Ojibwe Language Table

May 15 — KBIC Headstart Graduation; Nishnaabemwin Pane Semester begins

May 20 — Ojibwe Language Table

May 25 — Memorial Day Holiday, Tribal Gov't Business are closed.

May 27 — Ojibwa Senior Citizens Regular Meeting, 12:30 p.m.; Ojibwe Language Table

May 28 — Ojibwa Senior Citizens PASTY SALE!

Events occurring throughout KBIC are welcome to be listed on the Calendar of Events. Contact newsletter@kbic.nsn.gov to list your events. Events are more detailed FYI within the newsletter. For up-to-day event listings, visit www.ojibwa.com and click on calendar. For Youth events, see @ www.ojibwa.com, click on youth club, or contact 353-4643/Main Office at Youth Club, or 353-4644 for the facility attendants or the Kitchen/craft rooms.



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